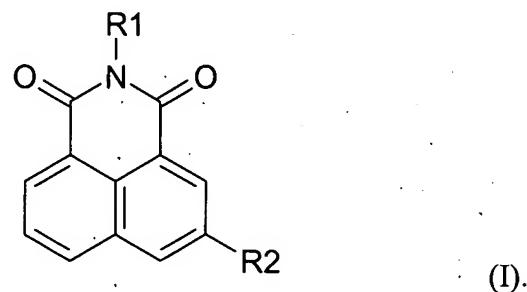


ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 Disclosed is a salt of amonafide or amonafide analogs represented Structural Formula (I):



R1 is $-(CH_2)_nN^+HR3R4 X^-$ or R1 is $-(CH_2)_nN^+HR3R4 X^-$ or $-(CH_2)_nNR3R4$ when R2 is $-N^+HR6R7$.

10 R2 is -OR5, halogen, -NR6R7, $-N^+HR6R7 X^-$ sulphonic acid, nitro, -NR5COOR5, -NR5COR5 or -OCOR5;

R3 and R4 are independently H, C1-C4 alkyl group or, taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, a non-aromatic nitrogen-containing heterocyclic group;

15 each R5 is independently -H or a C1-C4 alkyl group;

R6 and R7 are independently H, C1-C4 alkyl group or, taken together with the nitrogen atom to which they are bonded, a non-aromatic nitrogen-containing heterocyclic group;

n is an integer from 0-3; and

20 X^- is the carboxylate anion of an organic carboxylic acid compound.

Also disclosed are methods of preparing certain compounds represented by Structural Formula (I).